

In this period of US history with the terrorist threat, the formation of Homeland Security, and the need for general US security, we need Amateur Radio. Amateur Radio has historically provided a backbone of communications that was always available in emergency and priority situations. Anyone can check and see the wonderful history where ham radio has been monumentally beneficial during crisis situations. This BPL mode is a direct threat to the integrity of the Amateur Radio HF operation on a whole. The ARRL has done a study as have others. Allowing the implementation of BPL will destroy the backbone of emergency communications that has so long been available to meet the emergency communications needs for the US. Sharing bandwidth is out. How can you share bandwidth with a service that splatters the band with high noise levels precluding normal voice communications. No sharing, no BPL. That is the only answer. The utilities wishing to implement this are large organizations with lots of money and willing to spend that money to earn more. The ARRL and the average Ham Radio Operator, such as I, are average american citizens who do not have the money to fight these large corporations. We depend on you with your wise judgement to prevent the destruction of Amateur Radio.

Regards,

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